GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMPANY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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IMPROVEMENT IN SERVICES OF CA/ CS
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Will the Minister of COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a)Whether the Government has any proposal to improve the services of Chartered Accountants (CA), Cost and Works Accountants and Company Secretaries (CS) comparable to International Standards;

(b) If so, the details thereof; and ;

(c) Whether the Government proposes to make some amendments in the Acts/Rules relating to these services?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMPANY AFFAIRS(SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA)

(a) to (c)The Parliament has enacted amendments to the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949,Cost and Works Accountants Act, 1959 and Company Secretaries Act, 1980 through the Chartered Accountants (Amendment) Act, 2006, Cost and Works Accountants

(Amendment) Act, 2006 and Company Secretaries (Amendment) Act, 2006. Under these Amendments, following provisions have been made to improve the quality of services being provided by the professionals regulated by the Acts:-

(i) Restructuring of the disciplinary mechanism to ensure transparency and accountability in services rendered by the professionals.

(ii) Establishment of Quality Review Boards for the three Institutes to review the quality of services rendered by members of the Institutes, make recommendations on the quality of services provided and to guide the members to improve the quality of services and adherence to the various statutory and other regulatory requirements.

(iii) Allowing professionals regulated by the above Acts to form and participate in multi- disciplinary entities. The above measures are in addition to the statutory framework already in existence in the form of enactments referred above.